

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant	: Kain et al.
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RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**Mail Stop Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents

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Dear Sir:

This is a response to the non-final Office Action issued February 27, 2009 in connection with the above-referenced patent application. Applicants request that the Examiner enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.